

WOMAN MAKES SENSATIONAL ESCAPE FROM JAIL

Chinese Bandits Take Full Control of Tsingtsao Shantung

RETURN OF PORT TO CHINESE WAS TO OCCUR TODAY

Territory Remained Under Alien
Control for Over a Full
Score of Years

POPULATION FLEES THE CITY

Bandits Demand Heavy Ransom
for Return of Officials and
Police Captured

TIENSIN, Dec. 5.—Reports received here say that Chinese bandits have taken control of Tsingtsao (Shantung). Kiaochow port, the storm center in war and diplomacy, was to culminate today in its return to China after 24 years of alien rule, the first 16 under Germany and the last eight under Japan. The population is reported fleeing from the city.

Trains from Tsingtsao are said to be crowded with refugees. Chinese police sent from Peking to take over the city, are reported to have been driven from their barracks. Bandits, according to telegrams, demand \$100,000 ransom for the delivery of government officials and police, now in their hands. The outlaws also hold out for the appointment of their chief as governor of the port.

CONSTITUTION TO BE AMENDED ON PRESIDENT

Progressives Win Point De-
manding Choice Be Made
Through Popular Vote

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Members of the new progressive bloc in congress won their first legislative victory by obtaining from the senate agricultural committee a favorable report on the resolution to amend the constitution to provide for the direct election of president and vice president. The amendment also would change the presidential inauguration day from March 4 to the third Monday in January, and members of the senate and house would begin their terms of office on the first Monday in January after the biennial elections. Congress would meet in regular session annually the first Monday in January.

PRESIDENT HARDING HAS SET A NEW PRECEDENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—President Harding broke a precedent, permitting the second day of the new session to pass without delivering his annual message reporting on the "state of union" and outlining the administration's recommendation for legislation.

THE WEATHER

Local observer	United States weather bureau:
Temperatures 5 a.m. Noon	
Current 30 33	
Wet bulb 30 32	
Relative humidity 37 39	
Temperatures, Extreme 1922 1921	
Maximum yesterday 37 39	
Minimum yesterday 22 19	

AIRPLANES FINALLY LAND AT FORT BLISS

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 5.—Three airplanes which left Brooks field, San Antonio yesterday morning, arrived at Fort Bliss at 10:15 this morning. One crashed at Fort Clark yesterday and another is reported to have fallen today.

DIAMOND DRILL TO PROVE OIL IN FISH LAKE

Matter is Being Given Consideration by Management of
Fish Lake Merger

Use of a diamond drill in the exploitation of the oil possibilities of Fish Lake, is being considered. If the idea can be worked out satisfactorily, then the drill will start operating at the bottom of the Fish Lake Merger well which now has a depth of 1440 feet, and a three or four inch hole will be forced into the earth at the rate of seven feet per hour. This should result in the territory being proved most conclusively in record-breaking time.

The proposition of using a diamond drill is only tentative, although Charles W. Taylor, president of the company, is in correspondence with the manufacturers of drills in Chicago, and is simply awaiting further advice relative to the matter. If it can be found that the idea is feasible then a drill will either be purchased or rented and the task of proving up the oil possibilities of the valley will be accomplished speedily.

A great deal of trouble has been experienced of late at the Fish Lake Merger well in making a water shut-off, and it will be necessary to cement if the use of the diamond drill is not feasible. This will naturally occasion some little time, but the results can be accomplished through persistent effort on the part of expert drillers.

BERLIN PROHIBITS DENIED RIGHT PARADE STREETS

Saloonkeepers Grab Sandwich
Men With Banners; Give
Them Severe Beatings

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—Prohibitionists of Schoenberg, a suburb, having been prevented by police from holding an open air meeting yesterday, engaged a flock of sandwich men to parade the streets with placards: "Evils of Alcohol." This aroused the ire of saloon keepers and distillery employees, who gave the sandwich men severe beatings.

STIMLER AND NAY TO INSPECT GOLD STRIKE

Harry C. Stimler and John Nay, who are interested in the new gold discoveries at Nappase, 15 miles south of Silver Peak, left this afternoon for the scene of the excitement. Samples taken from across four feet of the vein by Mr. Stimler returned values of \$80.80 per ton in gold, while samples from the hanging wall, taken near the surface, returned values of \$137.70 per ton. Messrs. Nay and Stimler expect to be absent until Friday.

W. A. B. HANCHETT, of San Francisco, is registered at the Mizpah.

GIRL INMATES MAKE ESCAPE FROM PRISON

Seventeen Overpower Matron
and Cut Telephone Wires in
Washington School

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 5.—Seventeen girl inmates of the training school at Grand Mound, overpowered the matron last night and escaped from the institution. The break evidently was well planned as the girls had cut the telephone wires from the institution making it impossible to notify the authorities of nearby towns for some time after their escape. Police of all nearby towns have been notified to keep on the lookout for the escaped girls.

ABUNDANCE OF FOOD, BUT NO RELIEF IS NEAR

Secretary Wallace Says Farm-
ers Laboring Under Most
Serious Disadvantage

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—American farmers, comprising about one-third of the country's population, find themselves, notwithstanding their hard work and large production this year, still laboring under a serious disadvantage as compared with other groups of workers because of the disfortunate relationship of prices. Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture told President Harding and congress today in his annual report.

"There is food in abundance," Mr. Wallace said, "and this contributes to the prosperity of business and industry for a time, but the inadequate return which the farmer is receiving, and has for three years, inevitably must result in readjustments in the number of people on the farms and in the cities which will not be for the continuing good of the nation."

There has been a greatly accelerated movement of farmers, and especially farmers' sons from the farms to the cities and industrial centers, the secretary reported, declaring that, best estimates indicate that during July, August and September twice as many persons left the farms for the cities as usually.

The secretary renewed his recommendation for rural credits legislation, asserting that action should be taken promptly to increase the maximum which a farm loan bank may loan to an individual from \$10,000 to \$25,000. He advocated also a readjustment of the term loans may run, saying a system should be established by which the farmer could borrow for periods of from six months to three years. Creation of a new bureau of home economics was urged by the secretary, to enable the department to extend its efforts toward better economic systems in the rural community.

MRS. PHILLIPS BELIEVED TO HAVE LEFT U. S.

LONG BEACH, Dec. 5.—A fur similar to that worn by Clara Phillips during the trial and believed to have been in her possession when she escaped from jail was found today in an abandoned automobile here. The authorities started investigation on the theory that the escaped woman may have put to sea in a motor boat with friends from here or may be hiding here.

SILVER ADVANCES IN THE NEW YORK MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—New York quotation for bar silver of domestic origin was increased today from 99 1/4 cents to 99 5/8 cents per ounce, 999 fine. This is due to decreased cost of transportation because the government is again accepting delivery of silver purchased under the Pittman act at the Philadelphia mint instead of at the Denver mint.

KU KLUX KLAN TO BE BEFORE STATES' HEADS

Conference of Governors Will
Be Held in Virginia From
December 14 to 16

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 5.—The problem in government created by the rise of the Ku Klux Klan throughout the country will be brought before the state governors of the United States and considered by them at their 14th annual conference to be held in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., Dec. 14-16, Miles C. Riley, secretary, announced here today.

Governor Henry J. Allen of Kansas, whose attack on the Klan in his state has attracted wide attention, is to present a paper to the state executives on "the Ku Klux Klan, the problem it creates," as the basis of the consideration.

A varied business program supplemented by an attractive program of entertainment, has been prepared for the governors and their wives, Mr. Riley announced. Governor Samuel McKelvie of Nebraska and Governor J. A. O. Preuss of Minnesota will speak. The former on agricultural problems and the latter on the St. Lawrence water way. Governor Preuss will state the position of the Midwest on the water way project.

Besides general discussions on each of the papers presented, the governors will discuss general problems of state administration and exchange experiences that may be of value to their colleagues in the business of government.

GOVERNMENT OF FREE STATES NOW EFFECTIVE

Without Pomp or Ceremony Ad-
ministration is Turned Over
To Provisionalists

LONDON, Dec. 5.—Without pomp or ceremony the Irish free state will come into being after midnight tonight. By special order in council the full administration of the country has already been handed over to the provisional government. Therefore when the constitution comes into existence tomorrow there will be no ceremony of any kind to mark the fulfillment of the treaty made between the British and Irish governments.

King George tonight gave his royal sanction to legislation setting up the Irish free state as a dominion of the British empire.

AMMUNITION SEIZED

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 5.—The local police have seized large quantities of rifles, ammunition and explosives, discovered on ships sailing for southern Ireland.

CLOUDS OF WAR AGAIN THREATEN POWERS EUROPE

Pessimists Predict Complete
Collapse of Four Powers and
the Resumption of War

LAUSANNE, Dec. 5.—Turkey and Europe apparently have drifted so far apart on the great issues of the Near East conference that pessimists have a fruitful field for unhappy prognostications of a complete collapse of the four powers and the resumption of war in southeastern Europe.

GOLDFIELD IS READY RECEIVE CROWD VISITORS

Charity Ball on Friday Night
Will Draw People from the
Various Sections

The largest crowd that has ever attended a dance in Goldfield in recent years is expected there Friday night for the annual Elks' charity ball. Reservations at the Goldfield hotel for that night exceed those of any year of the last three, according to the management. Tonopah and Beatty will send the best attendance of the nearby towns, although people will be present from many sections of the state.

The decorations for the hall and the fun making contraptions the Elks will distribute have been received. The hall is being decorated. The first of several truckloads of trees that will be part of the setting for the affair was received Monday. The ball and club rooms will be elaborately decorated.

Because of the large crowd that is expected the top floor will be thrown open for the first time in several years, but it is expected that even with this extra space the building will be over crowded. The Elks, realizing that the building will be jammed, have decided to keep down to a minimum the attendance of children and \$1 will be charged for children under 14 who attend. The extra lady will be charged 50 cents.

The one, great and only, far-famed and justly noted mountain general, Death Valley Scotty, will honor Goldfield and the Elks charity ball by his presence on the night of Dec. 8. A few days ago the Elks sent Scotty a most cordial invitation to attend the event and after they had awaited in suspense since their invitation was mailed, the Elks received the mountain general's acceptance last night, mailed out of the place of mystery which is his abode by way of Bonnie Clare. The jovial mountain general from the Panamint and Funeral range will be in Goldfield and he will be received as befits a real, genuine mountain general.

The Elks charity ball at Goldfield will be an event of importance and hundreds eagerly await the coming of the night of Dec. 8.

BRITISH GIVE SUCCOR TO DEPORTED ARMENIANS

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 5.—Following action by the kemalist police in confiscating the passports of 100 Armenians as they were about to board a ship British troops took possession of the customs house, and armed with machine guns protected the embarkation of the refugees.

BUTLER IS NOMINATED FOR THE SECOND TIME

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—The nomination of Pierce Butler of St. Paul to be associate justice of the supreme court, which failed of confirmation at the special session of congress, was returned to the senate today by President Harding.

METAL OUTPUT NOW BREAKING PAST RECORDS

Tonopah Extension Heads List
With Substantial Increase
Over Former Shipments

Production of bullion in the Tonopah district is being gradually increased. The Tonopah Extension set a new mark this morning when 28 bars of bullion were consigned by express to San Francisco, containing 92,500 ounces and having a value of \$104,000. This covered operations at the big milling plant for the last half of November, which made the production for the entire month total \$198,000.

West End Consolidated sent out its shipment Monday morning, which was the result of the cleanup of the mill for the last half of November. The consignment consisted of 33 bars and weighed 64,110 ounces and had a value of \$75,368, against \$64,110 for the first fifteen days of the month. This would make the production for the month of November total \$142,752.

That the mines of the Tonopah district will proceed to increase their production during the coming year seems to be a certainty. The Tonopah Extension Mining company plans increasing the capacity of the milling plant from 400 to 500 tons daily, and in view of the wonderfully rich reserves showing throughout the various workings, it is assured that a heavy production will continue in order and that a substantial earning will at all times result for the treasury of the corporation which means dividends for the stockholders.

Like the Tonopah Extension, the West End Consolidated Mining company is gradually increasing its production of bullion, and the pinnacle has not yet been reached by any means. Mill improvements now being made will shortly permit of a heavier tonnage of ore being treated.

Tonopah Belmont will send out its shipment tomorrow morning.

GEORGES CLEMENCEAU GREETED BY HARDING

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Georges Clemenceau paid his respect to President Harding today, arriving at the White house just before 10 o'clock, the hour at which the president was to receive him, and he was ushered immediately into the executive offices, where the president greeted him. The "Tiger" of France, looking hale and jaunty, was wearing his "tube" high hat for the second time since his arrival in America and was accompanied by French Ambassador Jusserand who presented him to the president.

VERL MCKAY INJURED AT THE DESERT MILL

Verl McKay, who has been employed at the Desert mill at Millers, was brought to the Mine Operators' hospital this morning at 7 o'clock, where he submitted to an operation for serious injuries suffered to his right hand. In some manner his hand became caught in the machinery, which resulted in the loss of his thumb and two fingers.

CLARA PHILLIPS GAINS FREEDOM IN EASY MANNER

Saws Bars and Crawls From
Window, Dropping to Roof of
Another Building

DROPS FROM SIGHT ENTIRELY

Is Believed to Have Been Aided
By Other Prisoners in the
Same Wing of Building

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Clara Phillips climbed out of the window of the woman's section of the county jail and escaped. She was under sentence of ten years to life following her conviction for the hammer murder of Mrs. Alberta Meadows. She was being held in jail pending the formulation of an appeal.

With the aid of several steel saws the escape was effected at 2 a. m., according to the report to the sheriff by the jailer. The belief is expressed that she was aided by the other inmates. The bars were sawed through and after crawling out of the window she dropped to the roof of an adjoining building, climbed down a fire escape and disappeared.

Her escape was not discovered by the jail authorities for several hours. The matron then, making the rounds, saw the bed in her cell vacant. Within a few minutes the matron discovered the sawed and twisted bars and notified the jailer.

Mrs. Phillips is believed to have escaped in an automobile.

Orders were issued by Sheriff Traeger to bring into his office all persons connected with the hammer murder case in order to trace out plans for the jail break. All deputy sheriffs have been called in and posses have been rushed out.

Three steel bars across the window of Clara's room were found to have been neatly sawed through.

Deputy sheriffs were sent out to interview Madalynne Obenchain, released from jail last night, following the dismissal of her case involving the charge of murdering J. Belton Kennedy. She occupied an adjoining cell to Clara Phillips.

Officers also were dispatched to interview Ola Weaver and Etta Jackson, sisters of the escaped chorus girl, and slayer, and locate, if possible, her husband, Armour Phillips.

A man and woman answering description of Clara Phillips and her husband, were seen in an automobile about 10 a. m. today in the residence district five miles from the jail.

Butler Theater Today

A Peter B. Kyne story
Roy Stewart and Kathleen
Kirkham in

"THE INNOCENT
CHEAT"

The story of a woman and
two men; and of the woman's
search for happiness
TOPICS OF THE DAY
and
AESOPS FABLES

Tomorrow, William Rus-
sell in

"THE CRUSADER"

And a Mack Sennett comedy
"BOW-WOWS"